

# THE BAYONET

## Gen. Higgins Leaves TABS for West Point

Assigned to Head Corps of Cadets; Coutts Acting CO

In a reversal of roles, Brig. Gen. Gerald J. Higgins relinquished command of The Airborne School today to Col. James W. Coutts, from whom he assumed command on the 16th of September, 1945, and to the United States Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., where he will replace Brig. Gen. George Honnen as commandant of the Corps of Cadets.

Gen. Honnen will receive his new orders at the end of the month.

Gen. Higgins will work with Maj. Gen. Maxwell Taylor, formerly of the 101st Division and now superintendent of the Academy.

Col. Coutts, who has been assistant commandant of the school under Gen. Higgins, will reassume the position he held temporarily after Brig. Gen. Ridgely Gaither left The Airborne School for duty with the 88th Division.

Reconversion Completed

Gen. Higgins leaves the Airborne School after supervising the task of establishing The Airborne School (now the Airborne School) on a peacetime basis, and converting it to conform to the peacetime airborne operations.

Aside from the change in name, a new training program has been instituted, designed to cover all phases of airborne tactics, and future graduates will be classified as para-gliders.

July 1, 1930, when assigned as an engineer outfit, General Higgins entered West Point from the ranks and was commissioned a second lieutenant June 12, 1934.

Upon graduation, he served with the Infantry at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and in August, 1937, came to Benning to attend The Infantry School. He remained there until June, 1939, when he was assigned to the 30th Infantry Regiment, The Pacific, San Francisco.

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## White Succeeds Maxey As AG In First Army

LT. Col. Dee M. White, veteran of the Italian and North African campaigns, has been named Adjutant General of Fourth Headquarters, First Army, succeeding Major Maxey.

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## Clearing Office Established To Speed Transfers

A Post Central Clearing Office to expedite clearance of officers, warrant officers and nurses departing from Fort Benning to other stations has been established in Room 20 at Post Headquarters, under the supervision of Capt. Randolph Crockett, according to an announcement by Col. Carter Collins, acting post commander.

The new clearance procedure, which was planned in accordance with WD Circular 381, dated Dec. 21, 1945, not only will expedite officer clearances, but also will insure proper and complete clearance from post agencies, the new Post Clearing Office explained.

Capt. Crockett outlined the following procedure for officers, warrant officers and nurses leaving on permanent change of station, separation or temporary duty—leave of absence in excess of 30 days.

"First, the person concerned must clear himself with his or her respective organization," Captain Crockett pointed out. "Post clearance forms may be obtained from the various organizational headquarters. The form will be filled out in triplicate, and then signed by the organization commander."

"Personal clearance then must be obtained by the individual concerned from: a) the Officers' Quarters; b) the Officers' Mess; and c) the Officers' Club."

"Then the person seeking clearance will report to the Post Clearing Office for final clearance," Captain Crockett explained.

Others By Phone

The Post Clearing Office is authorized to clear from all post agencies by telephone except for the three exceptions cited by Captain Crockett.

"All personnel concerned should endeavor to settle all accounts prior to reporting to the Post Clearing Office," the Captain stressed. "The clearance office will be used for the settlement of accounts only in cases of emergency."

In Post Memorandum No. 2, distributed Jan. 11, the new procedure for 12 months with the 10th Infantry Division and the 118th Infantry Regiment, a separate organization. He reported to Fort Benning for duty Jan. 4.

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## AGF Board Tells New Assignments

New assignments at Army Ground Forces Board No. 3 for the 1946-1947 fiscal year were announced by Headquarters for that command.

LT. Col. Ronald L. Martin, formerly of the 101st Airborne Division, has been assigned to the 30th Infantry Regiment, The Pacific, San Francisco, in March 1941, he again was ordered to Fort Benning where he served as a first lieutenant, then as a captain, and finally as a major.

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## Chaplain Carlson, Veteran, Wins French Croix de Guerre

A trim looking gent with streaks of grey in his hair and five battle stars on his ETO ribbon is Fort Benning's first chaplain to earn a decoration from a foreign nation.

He is Chaplain (Captain) Charles P. Carlson, of TTD No. 1, The Airborne School, who was awarded the Croix de Guerre with Etoile d'Argent by the government of France for his service as assistant army chaplain, First Army, in the famous First's drive across France, Belgium and into Germany.

Chaplain Carlson was with General Courtney Hodges' army in each of its major campaigns in Europe.

Notification of the award was made by General Milne in a formal letter, and the chaplain has not received a copy of the orders directing the presentation as yet.

"I haven't any idea what the citation will say," the chaplain said, "so I'd rather not speak for myself on that matter."

Chaplain Carlson, as assistant army chaplain in the First, made numerous trips to the outfit in the line as a liaison man between the chaplains serving at the front and army headquarters. He hinted that this assignment probably had something to do with the award.

Chaplain Carlson entered the Army in 1940, before the inauguration of the Chaplain Corps with the Army. The chaplain's first assignment was to the 101st Airborne Division.

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ASSUMING COMMAND of Fort Benning is Brig. Gen. Benjamin F. Caffey Jr., of Columbus as he signed orders making him post commander Wednesday morning. Looking on in the photo left to right are Lt. Col. J. D. Rosenberg Jr., Post Adjutant and acting Executive Officer, Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson who retires after 27 months as post commander; and Col. Carter Collins, acting post commander. (Signal Corps Photo by Cpl. Phil Charleston)

## Post Polio Campaign Gets Underway; Mrs. Brady Is Honorary Co-Chairman

The 1946 Fort Benning Campaign to raise funds for the March of Dimes got off to an auspicious start this past Tuesday with the opening of the campaign Tuesday morning. The drive was headed by Mrs. Brookner W. Brady, wife of Col. Dieter H. Dieter, co-ordinator of the post campaign, and pledged her cooperation to contact women's organizations and to spur the drive among the several major installations that comprise Fort Benning.

"Mrs. Brady, who is president of the Post's Parent-Teacher's Association, accepted the honorary chairmanship of the drive," Col. Dieter stressed.

The post drive which was officially launched Tuesday morning, will continue through Feb. 1, and will be given a boost by the various radio and television programs that will be broadcast during the campaign.

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## Succeeds Gen. Hobson In Administrative Role

Fort Benning Wednesday morning welcomed its new post commander, Brig. Gen. Benjamin F. Caffey Jr., who arrived by auto from Washington to take over the administrative reins of "America's Most Complete Army Post."

In an informal ceremony attended by several key staff officers and close friends, Gen. Caffey Wednesday morning signed the orders by which he formally assumed command of Fort Benning.

Gen. Caffey succeeds Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson who is retiring after 27 months as post commander, although technically he received the administrative reins Wednesday from Col. Carter Collins who has been acting as post commander for the past week since the illness of Col. James O. Tarbox. Gen. Hobson went on sick leave pending retirement from the Army on October 16, 1945.

Following the "signing in" ceremony, Gen. Caffey made a brief tour of Post Headquarters, and was greeted by staff officers and department chiefs of the Army Service Forces at 11 a. m.

Tuesday evening when Gen. and Mrs. Caffey arrived at Fort Benning they immediately visited Gen. Hobson at his home and later retired to the Officers Club for dinner with Columbus relatives.

Reception Sunday

A reception for Gen. and Mrs. Caffey will be tendered Sunday afternoon at the Officers Club by commanding officers of major installations at the Polo Hunt Club, Fort Benning.

Gen. Caffey is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the regular Army in 1917.

He participated in the St. Mihiel and Argonne Offensives overseas in 1918, and was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. His first assignment at Fort Benning came in October of 1924, when General Caffey—then a captain—was a company officer with the 24th Infantry. He took the Officers Advanced Course at the Infantry School in 1926, and was promoted to major in 1928.

During that tour of duty he married the former Miss Louise Battle, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Battle, of Washington, D. C. She resided with her sister, Mrs. Walter Meadows, Dimon Court apartments, before her marriage.

Attended General Staff School after subsequent tours of duty in Hawaii, Alaska, and Fort Benning. Gen. Caffey returned to Fort Benning in August of 1929, as an instructor in The Infantry School. He served as a first lieutenant, then as a captain, and finally as a major.

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## 1st Army Devises 'Clean-Up Plan' For Dimes Fund

Majors, Warrant Officers, first sergeants, and platoon leaders are making up beds and performing clean-up details for privates and PFCs, over in Fourth Headquarters Detachment, First Army, at Fort Benning, these days.

It isn't that the army's reversing the customs of rank or anything like that; it's just a very original way of getting the unit's March of Dimes contribution totals soaring way above normal.

It all happened when Tech Sergeant Robert F. Ball, who used to be Chamber of Commerce executive secretary out in LeGrand, Oregon, and who therefore comes by high pressure promotional ideas naturally, was assigned the job of seeing that the March of Dimes campaign went over successfully in Fourth Headquarters Detachment.

Ball, who also conducts unit reveille each morning, got together with his platoon sergeants, including Tech Sergeants Gerald Jepson of Soldier, Kansas, and William A. Stryker, Georgia, and Staff Sergeants James W. Ridder of Waterloo, Iowa, and John T. Everhart, of Celina, Md.

"Make Up Bunk."

Each agreed that if anybody contributed a dollar to the March of Dimes, one of them would make up the man's bunk the next morning and perform his clean-up details for him. When Ball told First Sergeant Phelps of the 1st Infantry, "I'll make it \$15.00 and I'll do it!" he said.

Just about that time, Warrant Officer Herbert H. Barnett, of Chicago, Illinois, and Paul V. Lashmet, of Detroit, Mich., came along. They immediately offered to make up the bunk and perform the clean-up detail of any man who contributed \$2.00 to the drive.

Ball thought he was doing pretty well when he went in to tell Tech Sergeant Reeves, the Command and General Staff School and then saw orders of duty in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and in the 1st Infantry at Fort Benning, N. Y., and then as Executive Officer of the First Army during New Year's.

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## Intensive Program Commenced By TIS Automotive Section

Featuring several new faces and a return to the 14-week course of instruction, the Automotive Section of The Infantry School has started itself for an intensive program in 1946.

For while the section had operated under a 12-week schedule for four weeks of a student's instruction being devoted to each of its three committees: Engine, Chassis and Operations. The newly-expanded curriculum, according to Capt. Harold A. Smith Jr., Secretary of the Automotive Section, is designed to provide more instruction and practical work in maintenance . . . to be accomplished by an additional two weeks in the Operations Committee classrooms.

Recent assignments of officers to the Automotive Section include Maj. William B. Dyer, as Chief of the Engine Committee; Capt. James C. Miller, now serving as Executive Officer of the Automotive Section; Capt. Charles N. Van Houten, Plans and Training Officer; W-O George E. Hubbard, an instructor in the Engine Committee.

The Automotive Section expects to receive 76 replacements from School Troops soon—men selected on the basis of their mechanical aptitude, I. Q., and civilian occupation. They will be given available training to qualify them for duty as assistant instructors.

Now headed by Brig. Gen. Harlan N. Hartness, AGF Board No. 3 had been known until a few months ago as the Infantry Board of The Infantry School, an identity it had retained for the last twenty-six years. Despite the change in title, the functions of the command remain essentially the same; namely to act as a fact-finding and advisory agency for the War Department, and to serve as the hub for most of the developing, testing and application of all infantry arms.

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MRS. BROOKNER W. BRADY

## Theatre Guild to Meet Monday Nite

A special meeting of the Fort Benning Theater Guild will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Athletic and Recreation Office in Doughboy Stadium to discuss plans for the forthcoming winter and radio productions.

The Post Public Relations Office, now planning a new series of radio programs to be aired over WDAK and WRBL, Columbus, Georgia, has offered the members of the Theater Guild the opportunity to turn their hands to the presentation of dramatic shows on the radio.

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## Lawson Field Officers Sponsor Polo Dance

The Lawson Field Officer's Club weekly dance will be sponsored this week, Saturday the 19th, by the March of Dimes Committee of the Base, under the fitting title of "Chairborne - Airborne Carnival Dance."

Entertainment will consist of dancing, horse racing, paddle boards, pitch boards and other merry carnival games that promise to make the event successful for the March of Dimes Campaign and fun for the guest.

The committee includes members from all organizations assigned to Lawson Field, with Lt. Merrill H. Perkins, Personal Affairs Officer at Lawson, as chairman. He is assisted by Capt. Irving N. Borne, of the 75th Troop Carrier Squadron, Lt. Charles F. Borne, of the 32nd Fighter Group, Lt. Allen R. Bennett and Lt. John C. Walsh, of the 81st Airborne Division, and Glenn B. Hunt of the Base Personal Affairs Office.

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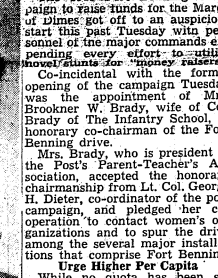
## Open Wold Avenue PX Filling Station All Day Sundays

Closing of the Post Exchange Filling Station, located behind the Main Exchange, has been announced this week by PX officials.

Sunday sales of gasoline and oil now will be handled at the filling station on Wold Avenue, adjacent to Gowdy Field.

The station will be open from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. week days, and from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. on Sundays.

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ERWIN RUDOLPH

## World's Pool Champ Appears Here Tonight

Erwin Rudolph, one of the greatest pocket billiard players of all time, will perform for Fort Benning personnel in a special exhibition Thursday night at 8 p. m. at 8-vice Club No. 1, the post special service office.

Mr. Rudolph, who has held the world's pocket billiard championship five times, demonstrated his billiard wizardry to a fascinated audience at the ASF Regional hospital last night. He is on a nationwide tour of military installations, which will last about an hour and a half. Rudolph will reveal how he once ran 277 points at pocket billiards, how he scored 111 straight points in a world's tournament game, and how he averaged

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## Col. Dovell Named Surgeon, Will Remain Hospital CO

Col. Chauncey E. Dovell, who for the past two and a half years has been commanding officer of the post's ASF Regional Hospital, has been appointed as post surgeon, succeeding Col. William H. Hobson.

The colonel, a first lieutenant in the hospital, Col. Dovell's office as post surgeon, formerly was in Dispensary "A."

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# Fort Benning Parade

BY MARY D. KEATLEY

Fort Benning this week pays tribute to one of the best loved personalities ever to be stationed here—a great officer and gentleman and a sincere good friend—Brigadier General William H. Hobson, post commander, who will relinquish his command on January 15, after 27 months of devoted service to this post.

General Hobson, whose retirement will climax a career of 38 years in the United States Army, will not easily be forgotten by those who have had the privilege of being associated with him at Fort Benning. From the highest ranking officers of his staff who cooperated with him in administering the post, to the youngest wide-eyed children who sat on his knee to hear tales of Brer Rabbit and Brer Fox, all are sorry to see the General go and all will miss him with heartfelt sincerity.

General Hobson has been noted not only for his excellent administrative abilities in official matters but also for the personal touch he has brought to his position of post commander. He has been a sympathetic approach to the individual problems of all members of the station complement. One example of his attitude of interest in the individual was brought to light when he learned that Mrs. J. V. Morey to Fort Benning. In October, 1943, Mrs. Morey, then at Fort Benning, with her brand new infant daughter, Dianne, learned that Captain Morey, who was in San Antonio, Tex., had received orders to return to Benning to say goodbye. The only solution was for Mrs. Morey to fly to Benning, but no plane space was available. Mrs. Morey, desperate, took her problem to General Hobson, who graciously arranged a priority for the flight so that the Morey family might be reunited before Captain Morey's departure. This is but one of many instances where General Hobson has taken the time and trouble to play fairly and to be a person—important or insignificant—who has asked his aid. Those are the deeds which will be remembered.

## For Gen. and Mrs. Hobson

General and Mrs. Hobson were honored by a large cocktail party held Saturday afternoon in the Polo-Hunt Club. Over two hundred Officers' Warrant Officers and ladies of the Army Service Forces were present to give their respects. In the receiving line were Col. Carter Collins, acting post commander, Mrs. Collins, James O. Tarbox, General and

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Mrs. Hobson, Col. and Mrs. Jack L. Meyer and Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. D. Rosenberger. The highlight of the event was the presentation of a beautiful silver bowl, appropriately engraved to Mrs. Hobson, which was received by the General. Col. Carter Collins made this presentation and gave a short speech in which he expressed the great felt by officers of the station complement at the General's retirement from the military service. Col. Collins stated that in a larger sense General Hobson could never retire fully entrenched as he was in the hearts of all Fort Benning personnel.

General Hobson replied in a speech thanking all officers of his command for the interest and cooperation and the efforts made by all for the efficient and able administration of the post.

Music for the party was furnished by a four piece ensemble from the Reception Center dance band in charge of Sergeant Driscoll. A stimulating punch, concocted by Chef Menard of the Officers' Club was served from three conveniently located bars with cheese squares and olives as light refreshments.

## Farwell Dinner

A formal dinner party was tendered General and Mrs. Hobson by the Post Headquarters Staff and other officers of his command, Saturday evening in the Palm Room of the Officers' Club. General Hobson, Col. Carter Collins, Major Frederic Schell, and Major Meade, toastmaster sat at the head of a long T-shaped table along either side of which were ranged officers and ladies of the General's staff. The table was decorated with floral arrangements set off by white tapers and dominated by the American flag and the General's flag, a red banner.

After dinner, Chaplain Heller proposed a toast and called on Colonel Collins, assistant executive officer, who very graciously expressed the deep and heartfelt respect experienced by all at the General's departure. Gen. Hobson, in dignified and touching remarks, made his farewell to the officers who have served under him the past two years.

A telegram, sent by Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Walter Scott Fulton, was read. General Fulton, former post commander who was relieved by General Hobson, expressed his sentiments on the occasion with the following message:

"The occasion and purpose for which you are being entertained tonight is to honor you as a leader

who has won the gratitude and admiration of your command for the superb manner in which you have administered the affairs of Fort Benning. I hope you sense the wrench we feel Fort Benning in losing you. All of Fort Benning salutes you with gratitude and affection. We wish you and your lovely family continued good health, happiness and success. May God bless you."

Other honored guests were Col. and Mrs. Jack L. Meyer and Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. D. Rosenberger. The ladies were in formal attire, while the gentlemen wore grey crepe with a yellow print bodice set off by a corsage of yellow roses. Miss Mary Hobson was at the head of the table wearing a blue and white dress with a gold corsage and a black and white beaded necklace.

Printed on the blue and white crepe paper were the names of the guests and General Hobson which read as follows:

General Hobson: "It is with mixed emotions that we, the officers and ladies gathered tonight to contemplate with keen regret your forthcoming retirement from the active military service, and even more especially as your command of this post has been a most successful one. It is a privilege to have you as our commanding officer, and it is a pleasure to have you as a guest at our dinner party. We wish you and your family continued good health, happiness and success. May God bless you."

"With sincerity in our hearts we extend best wishes for your continued health and happiness, remembering our splendid association, and recalling your fine qualities of resourcefulness, leadership and of feeling which have won for you the friendship, love and respect of all with whom you have come in contact."

"May the future bring to you Mrs. Hobson, and Mary, the fullest measure of joy and contentment."

Guests present besides General and Mrs. Hobson and Mrs. Mary Hobson were: Col. and Mrs. Carter Collins, Col. and Mrs. James O. Tarbox, Col. and Mrs. Jack L. Meyer, Col. and Mrs. J. D. Rosenberger, Col. and Mrs. Frederic Schell, Col. and Mrs. Raymond A. Parkins, Maj. and Mrs. John M. Lohr, Maj. and Mrs. J. E. Freeman, Maj. and Mrs. J. E. Freeman, Capt. Ralph P. Rudnick, Capt. and Mrs. John W. Inzer, Capt. and Mrs. Charles Taylor, Capt. and Mrs. James B. Davis, Capt. William L. Mather, Capt. and Mrs. Wilton G. Gaele, Capt. and Mrs. John B. Merriweather, Capt. and Mrs. H. L. Shoemaker Jr., Lt. and Mrs. William W. Hargrave and Lt. James Hoover.

Col. and Mrs. Jack L. Meyer entertained Sunday evening with an Open House in their quarters at 711 Lumpkin Road from 5:30 to 7:30 p. m.

Col. and Mrs. Frank V. Schneider entertained at a cocktail supper Sunday, January 13, at which ham, lobster thermidor, turkey salad and hot rolls were served to the many guests present.

Lt. Carl Looney, aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. Whitfield P. Shepard, gave a birthday dinner party for Major Stephen J. Meade Sunday evening at the Officers' Club. Cocktails at Major Meade's quarters were followed by the dinner at which a birthday cake, complete with candles, was presented to Major Meade.

Guests present on this occasion were Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Whitfield P. Shepard, Lt. Col. and Mrs. John W. Dobson, Major and Mrs. Stephen J. Meade, Col. Delbert Munson, Miss Janet Alston, and Miss Margaret Pierce.

Col. William E. North, formerly stationed at Fort Benning, visited here for one day on convalescent leave from Oliver Army Hospital, Atlanta, Ga. Accompanying him was his niece, Mrs. Kirby Starr of Newnan, Ga., where Colonel North spent the holidays with his father, Mr. H. H. North, and his sister, Miss Emma North. Colonel North spent the day here with Col. Jack Schwartz, who was at that time the guest of Col. and Mrs. James V. Courts of this station. Colonel North and Colonel Schwartz were prisoners of the Japanese all during the Japanese occupation of the Philippines, and were both released on September 7, 1945, and sent back to the States on the same ship.

Col. and Mrs. Albert C. Morgan visited on the post for two days as the guests of Col. and Mrs. D. Frederick. Colonel Morgan, former secretary of the Officers' Club here, is on 45-day temporary duty in the United States. He has been serving with Headquarters Command, Berlin District, since which time he commanded the 270th Infantry Regiment of the 70th Division, one of whose elements was the liberation of Forbach, France, located near the Saar River. After leaving Fort Benning, Colonel and Mrs. Morgan will visit Mr. and Mrs. Jewett Hull of Mobile, Ala. Mrs. Hull is the sister of Mrs. Morgan who has been residing in Atlanta while Colonel Morgan served overseas.

Col. and Mrs. D. Frederick entertained Friday evening with a cocktail party in honor of Col. and Mrs. A. C. Morgan. Guests present were Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Harlan N. Hartness, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Wayne Zimmerman, Col. and Mrs. Bernard Byrne, Col. and Mrs. William Murray, Col. and Mrs. Caes-



ADMIRING THE SILVER tray presented to Mrs. William H. Hobson by the officers of the station complement are Miss Mary Hobson, Mrs. Hobson and General Hobson, who is retiring from office of commandant.

ser, Mrs. John R. Dinsmore and Mrs. Harriet S. Weeks.

Mrs. Harriet S. Weeks, manager of the Fort Benning Craft Shop, was in Atlanta last Wednesday to attend the Atlanta Gift Show held in the Atlanta Auditorium of a large showing of gift items, costume jewelry and other new accessories. While in Atlanta Mrs. Weeks visited Mrs. Richard Creed.

Maj. and Mrs. George Beatty have as visitors this week Mrs. Frank Jacobs and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Finks. Mrs. Jacobs and Mrs. Finks are respectively the mother and sister of Mrs. George Beatty, who is on duty at the post until Sunday, when they return to their home in Dallas, Texas.

## Girl Scouts Request Leaders

The Girl Scouts have issued a call for a leader of the ages of twelve, thirteen and fourteen, most of whom are Freshmen in Columbus High School. The Girl Scout Council maintains a list of volunteers for positions as troop leaders but because of recent rapid personnel changes it has been difficult to maintain such a list satisfactorily. At present there are no vacancies.

The Council has stated that it appreciates assistance given in the past to this worthy activity by the young women of the garrison and trusts that there will be no diminution of such support.

It is requested that those who are willing to offer their services will communicate with Mrs. Fay Ross, Fort Benning 3228.

## P.T.A. Will Hold Night Meeting

The Fort Benning Parents' Teachers Association will hold a night meeting at 8 o'clock January 24 at the Children's School Auditorium. Lt. Col. and Mrs. Harold Adams, Lt. Col. and Mrs. James E. Allen, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Ernest J. Knott, Lt. Col. and Mrs. C. Scheuer, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Fred W. Helper, Maj. and Mrs. Mims M. Emerson, Maj. and Mrs. Raymond A. Parkins, Maj. and Mrs. John M. Lohr, Maj. and Mrs. J. E. Freeman, Maj. and Mrs. J. E. Freeman, Capt. Ralph P. Rudnick, Capt. and Mrs. John W. Inzer, Capt. and Mrs. Charles Taylor, Capt. and Mrs. James B. Davis, Capt. William L. Mather, Capt. and Mrs. Wilton G. Gaele, Capt. and Mrs. John B. Merriweather, Capt. and Mrs. H. L. Shoemaker Jr., Lt. and Mrs. William W. Hargrave and Lt. James Hoover.

The first of a series of lectures on Practical Interior Decorating, given by Mrs. W. S. Fulton at the Polo-Hunt Club, was an outstanding success, with an audience of over sixty persons. Two more lectures will be given on January 22 and January 29, at 8 p. m. These informal talks take on added interest from the fact that Mrs. Fulton, a speaker of talent and experience, has arranged the stage for each lecture, a group of furniture and accessories which visibly demonstrate the making of each subject. Subjects to be covered in the remaining lectures will be Arrangement and Justly by Mrs. Fulton, which will include pictures, lamps and slipcovers. An expert upholsterer will be on hand to demonstrate the making of slipcovers. This series is sponsored by the Woman's Club of Fort Benning, and there will be nominal admission charge for all who attend.

Lawson Field Club Program. The Lawson Field Officers' Wives' Club announces its regular monthly luncheon meeting, which will be held Tuesday, January 15, at 1:30 in the Lounge of the Lawson Field Officers' Club. Mrs. George Samson and Mrs. Justly will be arranged the decorations, with a timely "March of Dimes" theme.

On Tuesday, January 22, the Officers' Wives' Club will hold its regular bridge meeting. Mrs. E. D. Pasley and Mrs. H. J. Beale have extended a particular welcome to all new arrivals to Lawson Field and cordial invitation to join the bridge group.

For the information of all concerned this Club plans monthly luncheon meetings as in the past, on the third Tuesday of each month, with bridge meetings formerly held on Thursdays, to be held in the future on the first, second and fourth Tuesdays.

Book Section Meets. The Book Review Section of the Fort Benning Woman's Club met Monday, January 14 at 3:00 p. m. in the Ladies Lounge of the Officers' Club.

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## Hunt Club Plans Ball At Breakfast Held Sunday

A piping hot breakfast was the feature of the fourth seasonal meeting of The Infantry School Hunt Club, held Sunday morning at the Polo-Hunt Club. Scrambled eggs, hashed brown potatoes, crisp bacon and hot rolls were enjoyed by around fifty guests.

Set up in the club were four white covered tables, decorated with china and bronze horse figurines standing on a field of green. Breakfast was followed by singing of hunting songs and other Army ballads.

Seven wild boar and pigs were rounded up by the riders preceding the Hunt Breakfast. Three pigs too small to capture were let go, the other four are being held and will be served at the next breakfast meeting.

Plans for a Hunt Ball to be held February 23 were announced by Lt. Col. Frederick R. Weber, Master of Fox Hounds. This will be one of the most important dinner dances of the year at Fort Benning, with four hundred guests expected.

Those who rode on the Sunday hunt were Lt. Col. John W. Dobson and Capt. Grey Dresser, both of the 1st STR-TIS, and Capt. Frederick R. Weber, Miss Katherine Weber, Lt. Col. Frank C. Sinise,

## Dinner Party Given by WACS

WAC Detachment No. 1 gave a farewell party on January 15th to commemorate its removal from the Harmony Church Area to Main Post, where it will be consolidated with WAC Detachment No. 2.

The WACS and their dates enjoyed a steak dinner at Pat Patterson's. Reservations were made for 60 guests.

WAC Detachment No. 1 arrived at Fort Benning in April, 1943. The company only 13 are left. Others have been married, transferred or discharged. The 13 original members are: Dorothy Honeberg, Staff Sgt. Charlotte Schelner, Sgt. Julia Caffey, Sgt. Ethel Drake, Sgt. Elsie Eide, Sgt. Fischlin, Sgt. Jeanne Madder, Sgt. Alyce Orr, Cpl. Pearl Dow, Cpl. Bulah Hall, Cpl. Suzanne Cope, Elizabeth Sidauskas and Cpl. Yolanda Morgando.

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## Col. Dickerson Is Honored Guest At Birthday Supper

Col. A. H. Dickerson was honored recently at a surprise birthday party at which Mrs. H. Dillon McHugh was hostess, entertaining at her home on Miller Loop.

The birthday cake alight with candles was presented to Col. Dickerson.

Guests present were Col. and Mrs. Bernard Byrne, Col. William A. Johnson, Col. William O'Con-

ner, Mrs. B. M. Overton, the mother of Mrs. McHugh who is here for a visit, Mrs. Mary Harries, Mrs. Harriet S. Weeks, Mrs. John R. Dinsmore, Mrs. John A. Beall and Capt. Thomas S. Arms.

Col. H. Dillon McHugh is at present on route to Scott Field, Illinois where he will become a member of the board to select officers who will become part of the regular army.

## Mrs. Weber Is Elected President Of Army Daughters

Members of the Fort Benning chapter of the Army Daughters selected Mrs. Frederick R. Weber as president at the meeting held Monday night in the ladies lounge of the Officers' Club.

Other officers named were Mrs. Sever R. Tupper, secretary; Mrs. Clair B. Mitchell, treasurer; Mrs. Eric Ramee.

The Thrift Shop, run by this organization was discussed first on the program as it is necessary to find a new manager to replace Mrs. Deane A. Butler. A sum of money to be contributed to the March of Dimes campaign was voted upon after which the president, Miss Patricia Chamberlain read a letter of appreciation from Col. Chauncey E. Dovel, head of the ASF Regional Hospital, thanking the Army Daughters for the incubator which they recently donated to the hospital. Col. Dovel stated in his letter that this incubator would greatly increase the chance of survival of premature infants.

Fort Benning was indeed fortunate in having an organization which shows interest in the betterment of hospital facilities and expressed his best wishes for the Army Daughters continued success in worthy projects.

Daughters present in addition to the above mentioned were Miss Jo Frederick, Miss Nancy McDonough, Mrs. Mary Zimmerman, Mrs. E. W. Norwood, Mrs. John H. Keatley, Mrs. Chester A. Dahlen, Mrs. Nelson I. Fooks, Mrs. Henry B. Kunzig, Mrs. Howard Schneider, Miss Jane McDonough, Miss Barbara Overell, Mrs. Martha Chase Brown, Miss Margaret Aaron, Miss Sue Robinson, Miss Mary Frances Kelley, Miss Mary Hobson, retiring secretary; Mrs. R. L. Dickerson, and Mrs. Fletcher.

The month of January was named for the two-faced Roman god Janus, with the idea that he could look backward into the past year and forward into the coming year, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. The Anglo-Saxons called January the wolf-month, because at that season hunger made the wolves bold enough to invade the villages.

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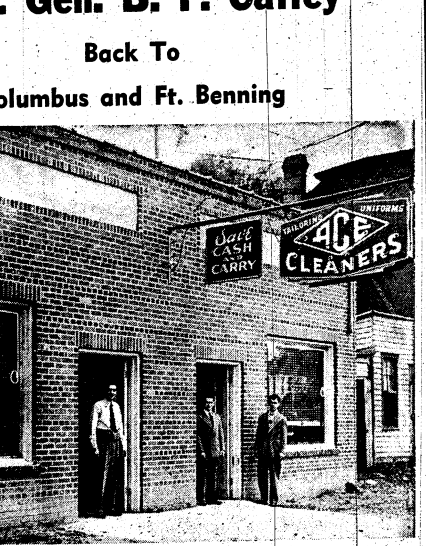
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# Profs Topple Demons From Undeclared Class

## Move Into Second Place; Fliers Fight Out of Cellar

The relentless Academic Regiment Profs moved up another notch into second place by topping the ITD No. 1 Demons out of the undefeated class, 47-35, in the feature attraction of four post loop contests staged Tuesday night.

On the same card at the Post Gym the first-place Snipers of ITD No. 2 trounced the Academic Wolves, 72-56, to emerge from the fray as the only undefeated quintet in the league.

Meanwhile at Lawson Field the determined Lawson Fliers finally worked their way out of the cellar by coming from behind to hand the luckless Motor Pool a 46-44 defeat. The game was Lawson's first win in six starts and left the Pool hoopedsters loopy on the bottom rung of the loop.

### Troopers Top Medics

At the Harmony Church Sports Arena the Airborne Troopers won a fast, exciting game at the expense of the Medics, 36-23. The Troopers' win put them into a tie with the deposed Demons for third place honors.

The Profs had to fight hard to earn a 20-19 margin over the Demons at the end of a see-saw first half. But in the opening minutes of the third stanza Creighton's Ed Beisser and VPI's Guy Crawford rapidly sank ten points between them to put the Profs out in front. Deisser was high with 17 points, followed by Demon "Ace" Maughan and Crawford with 12 each.

The Snipers were paced to their fifth straight win by Titanic Jim Homer, who poured 22 points through the hoop in a game characterized by almost exclusive use of offensive tactics. The Snipers built up their winning advantage in the first three periods, and were outscored by the Wolves 19-10 in the last stanza.

### Fliers Start Slow

The Lawson Fliers got off to a Pool 17-2 at the end of the first quarter. By the opening of the final stanza they were 10 points behind, but suddenly began to click magnificently, playing the Pool men very close, and sinking 18 points to the losers' six to turn the tables.

Art Gillis, with 11 markers, starred for Lawson, displaying an especial talent for controlling the

### 3 Baseball Films Ready for Bookings

Three first-rate baseball films will be available for bookings at the post in the near future, Capt. Daniel C. Herlong, post athletic officer, announced today. The flickers are "World Series, 1944-45," "Ninth Inning," and "Inside Baseball," which will be shown at the post by special arrangement with Lou Fonseca, director of promotion of the American League, the captain said. Unit special service officers interested in booking the film should contact Captain Herlong at FB 2238.

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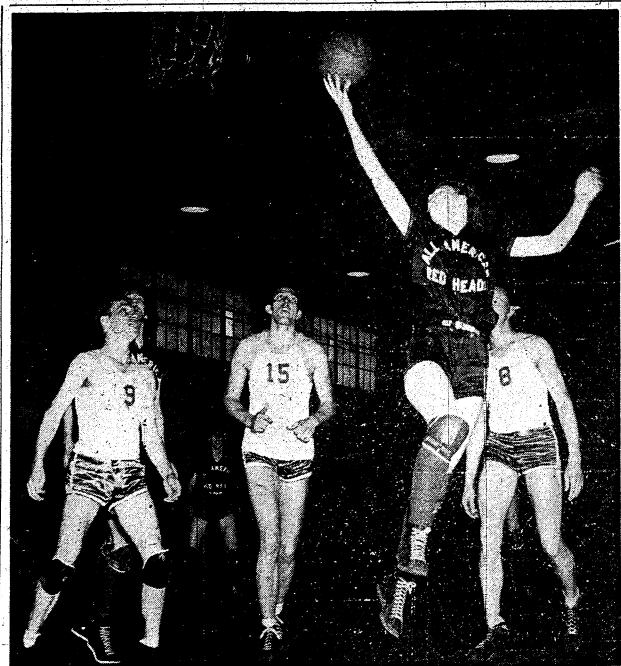
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**THE CHIVALROUS SNIPERS** look on open-mouthed as all-American Red Head Tex Nabors leaps high to snag a rebound from the girls' backboard. Six-foot Tex, back-passing artist, was the high scorer with 14 points when the world's champion women's basketball team beat the Snipers, 45-44, Sunday afternoon. Partly hidden by the airborne Amazon is guard John Mascavage, No. 8; looking as if he were playing "Simon says" is stalwart Sniper center, Jim Homer, No. 15; Joe Kirk, No. 9, the other guard, is screening six-foot-four Gene Love, Red Head center. Sunday night the girls' bowed to a grimly realistic Prof quintet, 46-15. (Signal Lab Photo by Cpl. Phil Charleston).

## Gallant Snipers Surprised by Red Heads, But Realistic Profs Beat Women Champs

### Here, There and Everything

BY CPL. CHUCK LEWIS  
The All-American Red Heads, who split a double-header here Sunday, are booked solid till April 15. The girls get a bonus for each game they win.

Eight of the nine freshmen Notre Dame's basketball squad were captains of their high school teams at this time last winter. Bobby Feller announces he will have a very capable coaching staff at his ex-servicemen's baseball school. Buddy Hasselt, Tommy Bridges, Hugh Mulachy, Bucky Walters, Joe DeMaggio, Dizzy Dean, Charlie Keller, Al Lopez, Lou Fonseca and Herald (Muddy) Ruel, assistant to Commissioner A. B. Chandler, have all donated their services. King Carl Hubbell, director of the Giant's farm system, recently signed a five-year pact. Brig. Gen. Gerald J. Higgins, Commandant of The Airborne School, is a constant attendant at the Troopers' games in the Post Basketball League.

Bill Wedemeyer, father of the famed Herman, played barefoot football in the Kimiki district in Hawaii and later played league football in Hilo. Hazel Walker, who plays on the Dr. Pepper club of Little Rock, Ark., has been named on the Women's all-American basketball team 11 times. Bob Feller reports that his contract this year is the best he has ever signed. His last contract was reported as \$40,000. Washington Redskins back who has been playing second-fiddle to Sammy Baugh, threatened to jump to the American Pro league so Washington sold him to the Giants. The Yankees will have 100 pre-war model bats for spring training. Angelo Bertelli, former Notre Dame forward passing ace, will report to Los Angeles of the All-American conference when he leaves his Marine officer's uniform. The largest score rolled up by a West Point team was in 1920 when they best Bowdoin college 90 to 0. Two bomb craters will be repaired and the Wimbledon tennis tournament in London will be held June 24 to July 6.

The University of Mexico basketball team is playing a tour in the United States which extends from Texas to New York. Hal Trosky will quit his Iowa farm and return to the Chicago White Sox first base job this season. Tony Cuccinello, recently released by the Chicago White Sox, isn't jobless. He is a bartender in a Long Island tavern. Walker Cooper's sale by the Cardinals to the Giants was the third biggest money deal in all baseball history. Ted Williams has gained 20 pounds while in the service and figures it is good for 20 more home runs for the Red Sox. Glenn Davis carried the ball 82 times for Army this fall and gained 94 yards for a 11.51 average to beat his 1944 mark of 11.50. The best one-game passing mark made was by Charley Tripp of Georgia—321 yards against Georgia Tech. Also Tripp's 3822 rushing-passing yardage was No. 1 for the season. The St. Louis Browns will train in California for the first time.

Housing For Veterans  
The President this week signed S. J. Res. 122 authorizing appropriation of \$100,000,000 in addition to an unexpended balance of about \$35,000,000, to be used in providing living quarters for distressed families of servicemen and for veterans and their families. Be kind to working people. That you meet where you go. For the guy who's washing dishes. May have been your old C. O.

At this stage, Bob Fitzgerald, former Seton Hall courtier, said a pair of field goals was bringing the Demons to the fore. And Ace Maughan contributed a nifty double-decker to stretch the advantage. Both sides concentrated on offense in the final four minutes of action, but the Demons managed to protect their advantage and emerge victorious. The Buckrop-Ravin combination accounted for 27 of the losers' points. Buckrop getting 14. High-scoring honors went to Maughan, who parted the cords for six field goals and six charity conversions. Demon-Fitzgerald was next to Maughan with 12.

The box score:  

DEMONS (25)	PG	FT	Pts.
Nabors, f.	4	0	8
Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
Maughan, c.	3	0	6
Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
Fitzgerald, c.	3	0	6
Totals	20	0	42

SNIPERS (21)	PG	FT	Pts.
Homer, f.	4	0	8
Ravin, f.	3	0	6
Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
Maughan, c.	3	0	6
Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
Fitzgerald, c.	3	0	6
Totals	20	0	42

PROFS (47)	PG	FT	Pts.
Homer, f.	4	0	8
Ravin, f.	3	0	6
Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
Maughan, c.	3	0	6
Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
Fitzgerald, c.	3	0	6
Totals	20	0	42

WOLVES (56)	PG	FT	Pts.
Homer, f.	4	0	8
Ravin, f.	3	0	6
Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
Maughan, c.	3	0	6
Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
Fitzgerald, c.	3	0	6
Totals	20	0	42

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## Niver Organizing Boxing Team—Plans Cards Here

Far from being discouraged by their elimination from the Fourth Service Command boxing tournament in Atlanta last week, Fort Benning's three scrappy fighters returned to the post in high spirits over their "moral victories" and got right down to very optimistic planning for a busy boxing season, here and elsewhere.

True, Pvt. Lloyd Niver, 30-year-old veteran, middleweight, of School Troops, decided to "hang up the gloves" after he was outpointed by the sensational match young Leon Thompson, 1944 national AAU champ who was adjudged best fighter in the tournament.

But Niver, who has won 45 of his 57 fights, isn't through with the ring. He might be "too old to fight," but he has high hopes of taking a leading role in the "revival of boxing" at Benning.

"I'm going to organize a Fort Benning boxing team and coach it," Niver announced as he worked out at the Post Gym Tuesday with heavyweights, and Pfc. Robert Huttel, lightweight of The Infantry School Troops. "Anybody who's interested in boxing will find us at the gym almost every afternoon. The phone number is 3035."

**Crowd Boos Decision**  
 Huttel outboxed his opponent, Chet Thornberry, for almost all of their three-round match Thursday night, but the judges gave the nod to Thornberry apparently because he had scored one knockdown. A crowd of some 1,000 patients at the Lawson General hospital gym booed the decision but Huttel took it as "just one of those things."

"I figured I had that fight, but after all, Atlanta was just a start," said Niver. "I'll be back here in a month and I'll be 172-pound Huttel, who won the Camp Wolters middleweight crown last August."

"We're planning to stage ring cards right here at Benning and

sion with a whirlwind attack that left the Red Heads exhausted. During the halftime intermission of the Snipers Game, the crowd was entertained by Sgt. Paul Kohler of School Troops, who played several selections on the xylophone, winding up in a juggling act as he polished off "Yankee Doodle."

### The Box Score:

RED HEADS (45)	PG	FT	Pts.
Nabors, f.	4	0	8
Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
Maughan, c.	3	0	6
Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
Fitzgerald, c.	3	0	6
Totals	20	0	42

SNIPERS (41)	PG	FT	Pts.
Homer, f.	4	0	8
Ravin, f.	3	0	6
Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
Maughan, c.	3	0	6
Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
Fitzgerald, c.	3	0	6
Totals	20	0	42

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Homer, f.	4	0	8
Ravin, f.	3	0	6
Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
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Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
Fitzgerald, c.	3	0	6
Totals	20	0	42

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Reed, f.	3	0	6
Domaskowski, f.	3	0	6
Dunlop, f.	3	0	6
Maughan, c.	3	0	6
Alexander, c.	3	0	6
Sorita, c.	3	0	6
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## Troopers Rally To Trim Phenix Tigers 51 To 34

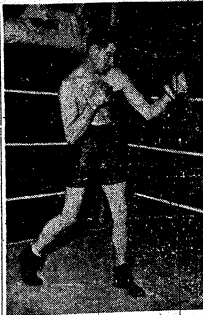
The Airborne School Troopers came from behind to defeat the fighting Phenix City Tigers 51-34 in an exhibition tilt at the Harmony Church Sports Arena Sunday afternoon.

Paced by Artie Copeland, who looped in 14 markers, the Troopers rallied in the second half to knot the score at 31-31 by the end of the third period, and turned on the heat in the final stanza to hand the Tigers their second defeat.

time for warmup matches before the tournament, and on such short notice we even had trouble finding sparring partners. Yet we all put up close fights against the Fort Bragg men who won the tournament—and the Bragg boxers had trained for the meet long before we were able to get started.

"Given equal opportunities, we know we'll produce a Benning squad that will go places. If every leather-pusher at Benning joins our post team we can promise some good entertainment and maybe we'll even go to the Golden Gloves," Niver said.

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start all over from the bottom up. There are a lot of GIs here who want to see boxing matches and we aim to give them what they want. I'd like to box with Thornberry again, in about two weeks," Huttel added significantly.

Novak, who fought a close match with Charlie Gimigiani, heavyweight winner of the meet, is also eager for "more action." "What we want most is a series of fight cards at Benning," says Novak, who won the "45 light-heavy crown of Sioux City."

"After our experience in Atlanta we know that all the boys need is training and enough fights to keep in shape," opined Niver, who annoyed Leon Thompson in the Atlanta meet by taking every thing the winner could throw and still come back for more.

"We three didn't have much

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## Robot Plane Old Stuff At Benning

Public announcement of experimental flights near Atlantic City recently in which a Navy "Hellcat" took off, maneuvered, and landed while radio controlled, may have been surprise news to a number of people but it was an old story to Capt. Richard M. Horton.

He and his crew of technicians for the past three years have been experimenting with a radio controlled airplane, a junior model of the real thing, sending the stubby radio zooming and diving above anti-aircraft gunners for target practice, flying demonstration tests for visiting dignitaries, and teaching new crews how to assemble, operate and repair similar planes for use at other camps and training installations.

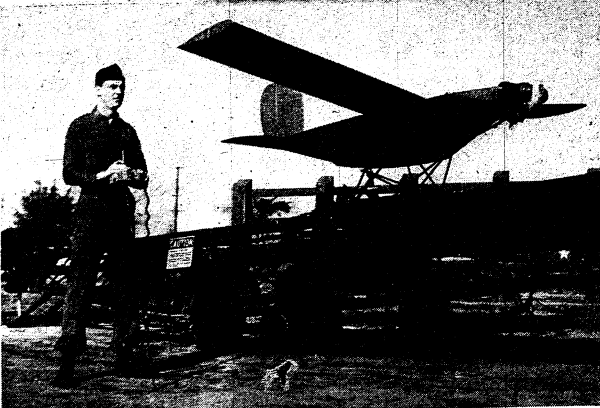
Radio-controlled target airplanes, piloted aircraft flown by remote control, have been a military experiment for many years and was a closely-guarded U. S. Army secret during the early original creation of the Air Technical Service Command, the robot airplane was tested by the Infantry Board at Fort Benning as early as January 1942, at which time the board was requested by the chief of staff to determine the usefulness of such craft to the Infantry, the amount of special training necessary for crews, and suitability of its use as a gunnery target.

**Realistic Target**  
As a result of these tests it was found that the use of robot planes for gunnery practice not only slashed the cost of using live targets by medium bombers, but furnished a high degree of realism to what had before been a somewhat dangerous and not too effective system of training anti-aircraft personnel.

Captain Horton attended the first new Radio-Controlled Airplane Target Schools at Fort Monroe, Va., in December 1942, a three-week course devoted to training two officers and fourteen enlisted men in the intricacies of the then newly-developed target plane. Of the equipment then in use, Captain Horton has little to say other than a mild expression of "not too good." After graduating at Fort Monroe, he was sent to Camp Croft, S. C., to assist in training other officers and enlisted men, being transferred to Fort Benning early in 1944 where he continued the training of additional crews, some of which were sent overseas, and in flying missions for the anti-aircraft training of officer candidates.

**Has Gasoline Motor**  
The target airplane, powered by a small gasoline motor, and controlled in flight by the ground-based pilot who moves a pencil-like stick on the radio control box to transmit signals over a frequency-modulated wave to a radio receiver in the plane, whips its twelve-foot wingspread through the air at more than 120 miles an hour. Banking, rolling and zooming, it provides an elusive target for gunners who, according to Captain Horton, get about one hit for every five thousand rounds of ammunition expended.

Once disabled by a bullet, the plane can be landed by pressure of a button on the pilot control board, releasing an electrically-controlled parachute concealed in the body of the plane during flight. Damage to the plane or its controls is repaired by members of the crew, trained to rebuild the entire ship if necessary. Designed without landing gear of ordinary wheel type, the radio-controlled ship takes the air from a special



**BEFORE TAKEOFF.** With the propeller spinning at 3,600 rpm, the robot plane is ready to be shot into the air at 60 mph off the catapult. Capt. Richard M. Horton, pilot, stands ready to assume control of the plane once it is in the air. The control stick, a rod-like lever extending from the control box held in his hands, is similar to the controls of a full scale airplane, forward motion causing the plane to dive and a pull backwards causing it to climb.

launching device, much the same as is used for launching planes aboard naval vessels. Exerting a pressure of 50,000 pounds per square inch, the launcher hurls the plane upward at 65 miles per hour, after which the spinning propeller provides power for continued flight.

## AGF Board Men Commended For River Rescues

Letters of commendation were dispatched this week to three officers and two enlisted men of the Army Ground Forces Board No. 3 for their performance of duty in connection with the rescue of four men from a small island in the Chattahoochee River last week. The letters of commendation were signed by Col. Carter Collins, acting post commander, which went to Brig. Gen. Harlan N. Hartness, Maj. Samuel E. Snyder, Maj. Ollie J. Allen, T-Sgt. Elmer Silvertown and S-Sgt. Gerald J. Hughtart, all of AGF Board No. 2.

Col. Collins declared the "initiative and ingenuity displayed in effecting the rescue of the four civilians was outstanding and reflects creditably upon you and your organization to which you are assigned."

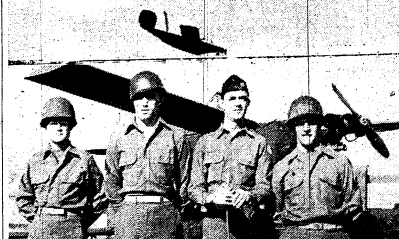
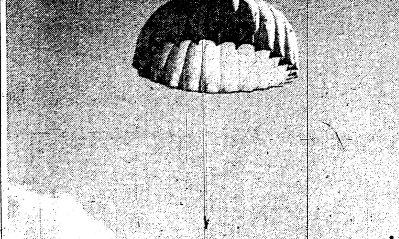
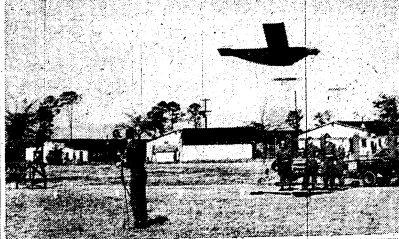
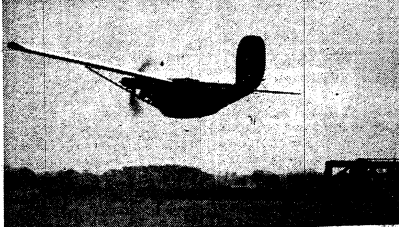
## Jones Promoted To Captaincy

1st-Lt. Freeman Jones, post safety director, has been promoted to the rank of captain. Col. James O. Tarbox, acting post commander, has announced. The safety director, who lists Ocala, Georgia as his home has spent over five years in the service, most of the time in traffic control or safety work. As an enlisted man he was stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C., with the 30th Division where he did traffic work. Later he joined the 73rd MP Battalion in Cincinnati, Ohio. From there, Captain Jones went to OCS at the Provost Marshal General's School at Fort Custer, Michigan from where he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Corps of Military Police. After graduation, Captain Jones was assigned to the Corps Military Police School as an instructor in the Department of Traffic both at Fort Custer and Fort Sam Houston, after the school was moved there. He has also worked with several safety seminars conducted in various Army service commands.

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**FLIGHT OF A ROBOT PLANE** and its crew are pictured for Bayonet readers. In sequence, photo (top) shows plane taking off by combination aid of catapult and spinning propeller.

**IN FULL FLIGHT.** Coming out of a dive and whizzing past the operator on the ground, the radio-controlled airplane is skirting the ground at an estimated 140 mph. Note the control stick in Capt. Richard M. Horton's hands as he turns his head to keep the plane in view as it tips by, only a few feet above the head. Only an experienced operator could complete a maneuver such as this.

**LANDING.** Pushing the control button on the control box, the operator has released the parachute concealed in flight within the fuselage of the plane. A trapdoor, seen in the open position just behind the wings, allows the parachute to emerge and bring the plane to earth safely. The same control also stops the motor when the parachute is brought into use. If the parachute fails to operate, the operator may attempt to land the plane by use of the controls—a maneuver that is rarely successful.

**THE CREW.** Ground crew poses with pilot. From left to right: Pfc. David Bennighof of Westminster, Md.; Cpl. Alfred C. Clark of Cleveland, Ohio; Capt. Horton of Hubbsville, N. Y.; and Sgt. Charles J. King of St. Petersburg, Fla. Absent is Sgt. Delmar H. Phillips of Carroll, Iowa, via discharge route.—(Infantry School Photos by Cpl. Darwin Rogers.)

**1st Army Recruits 278 EM For RA**  
Recruiting totals among First Army troops at Fort Benning have risen to 278, according to Lt. Frank W. Rose, Recruiting Officer for Fourth Headquarters, First Army.

The latest enlistments consist in a large part of men signing up for the first time. Lt. Rose said, and according to the Encyclopedia of three years, with the percentage about evenly divided among the two extremes.

Fourth Headquarters' recruiting office is located in the Casual area in the Pine Grove section of the Main Post.

The custom of having wedding attendants for the bridegroom began in the days of marriage by capture, when a man called on his friends to help him seize the bride, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

## Academics Tell Appointments To New Staff Posts

Two important staff appointments have been announced recently by Col. Wiley H. O'Moore, commanding officer of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School.

Lt. George F. McCullough, former adjutant of the 1st STR, has been appointed adjutant succeeding Capt. William B. Penndorf, who has resigned his commission to reenlist in his permanent grade of master sergeant.

Lt. Eric U. Cavell, former property and liaison officer of the regiment, has been reassigned, replacing Maj. Howard G. Jones, now on separation orders.

**Administrative Experience**  
Serving successively as company officer, adjutant of the 4th Battalion, 1st STR, and as regimental adjutant before being administrative procedure.

Prior to entering the Army in 1942, he was employed by the Dept. of Agriculture for eight years, the last two as a field supervisor. A former platoon sergeant in the 90th and 104th Infantry Divisions, Lieutenant McCullough was commissioned as a Tank Destroyer School, Camp Hood, Texas, in March, 1944, after which he came here.

Regimental supply officer of the Academic Regiment for a year and a half, Lieutenant Cavell joined the regiment in April, 1944. He has served as assistant supply and administrative officer until his new assignment. Lieutenant Cavell, as a member of the British Officers' Reserve Corps during World War I, saw active duty in England on coast defense and in anti-air and sabotage activities. He received his commission at the Infantry School in May, 1943.

## Ellington Again Tops Esquire's Jazz Selections

The inimitable Duke Ellington has been chosen for the second consecutive year as the top jazz band in Esquire's 1945 All-American Jazz Selections.

And the jazz stylists Benny Goodman, Louis Armstrong, Red Norvo and Coleman Hawkins have been picked for the third consecutive year as the top specialists in the jazz world. A three-time winners of one of jazz's most coveted awards, the 1946 Gold "Eskey" Statuette, signifying All-American rating.

The complete list of the ranking jazzmen of the year as picked by Esquire's nationally known board of experts, all winners of the 1946 Gold "Eskeys" are:

Cootie Williams, Bill Harris, trombone; Benny Carter, alto saxophone; Coleman Hawkins, tenor saxophone; Benny Goodman, clarinet; King Cole, piano; Oscar Moore, guitar; Dave Tough, drums; Chubby Jackson, string bass; Red Norvo, vibraphone; Duke Ellington, arranger; Duke Ellington, band; Louis Armstrong, male vocalist; Ed Fitzgerald and Mildred Bailey, tied, female vocalist.

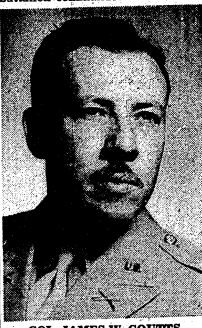
The jazzmen who will receive Silver "Eskey" Statuettes are: Charlie Shavers, trumpet; Vic Dickenson, trombone; John H. Hodges, alto saxophone; Don Byas, tenor saxophone; Barney Bigard, clarinet; Teddy Wilson, piano; Remo Valimieri, guitar; Gene Krupa, drums; Siam Stewart, bass; Stuff Smith, violin; Billy Strayhorn, arranger; Woody Herman, band; King Cole, male vocalist; and Billie Holiday, female vocalist.

The Bronze Award All-American New Stars... who, in a new method of selection, were picked by last year's Gold Award winners are:

Pete Candoli, trumpet; J. J. Johnson, trombone; Charlie Parker, alto saxophone; Charlie Ventura, tenor saxophone; Jimmy Hamilton, clarinet; Erroll Garner, piano; Bill de Arango, guitar; J. C. Heard, drums; Junior Raglin, bass;

## Gen. Higgins—

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Plans and Training Officer in 1941, and after his promotion to major, was transferred to the States as battalion commander of the 502nd



COL. JAMES W. COULTTS  
Acting Commandant,  
The Airborne School

Parachute Infantry regiment. As executive officer, he helped to organize the 507th Parachute Infantry regiment in August, 1942, and then left for England under secret orders.

**Coultts On Eisenhower's Staff**  
Coultts on Eisenhower's staff, he assisted in planning the airborne phase of the Normandy invasion, returning to the United States and the 517th of the Parachute School for the first time, and was highly instrumental in reducing the jump accident rate from 15 to 1 per cent.

As regimental commander of the 513th Parachute Infantry, he participated in the Battle of the Bulge and the piercing of the Siegfried Line. Thirty minutes before the "big push" in the Rhine action, he was wounded in the right shoulder by mortar fire.

Colonel Coultts holds the Silver Star for action, as well as the Purple Heart and Legion of Merit. In June, 1945, he returned to The Airborne School, and again assumed the duties of assistant commandant, serving as acting commandant in the interim.

**PUP TENT IN PARK POINTS TO SHORTAGE OF HOUSING**  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (ALNS)—Two War II veterans set up a pup tent in a local downtown park during a wintry snowstorm to call attention to the shortage of housing that faces returning servicemen.

The greatest apparent speed of an ocean wave is about twenty-seven miles per hour, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. Ocean waves reach a height of fifty or sixty feet in the south Atlantic, off the Cape of Good Hope.

The camel's hair in paint brushes does not come from camels. According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, the commercial male from a species of squirrel which inhabits cold countries such as Siberia and northern Russia.

Ray Perry, violin; Ralph Burns, arranger; Woody Herman, band; Billy Eckstine, male vocalist; and Frances Wayne, female vocalist. In the February Esquire... the 1946 Jazz Issue... a 15-page section will be devoted to commentaries and photographs of the jazz award winners and to comprehensive articles covering the American Jazz Scene.

As an additional contribution to the appreciation of good American jazz, Esquire has selected twelve winners to appear as soloists in a special one hour broadcast on Jan. 16—a coast-to-coast All-American jazz session over the complete ABC network from 9-10 p. m. E.S.T. These soloists will be backed up by the top-ranking Duke Ellington and Woody Herman bands, plus the King Cole Trio and a master of ceremonies will be the radio and motion picture star, Orson Welles.

## Dramatist Wells Leaves TIS; Philips New Academic I & E

Novelist and Dramatist Capt. John W. Wells has been ordered from The Infantry School to Camp Lee, Va., for the course in repatriation activities. He will be replaced as information and education officer of the Academic Regiment by Lt. Dean K. Phillips, who held the position prior to the absorption of the 1st STR into the Academic Regiment.

Captain Wells, who expects an overseas assignment handling displaced personnel after he has completed the course, is best known for his novel, "Rafter Roman," which in the screen version, became Ginger Rogers' first full-length starring vehicle.

Captain Wells, who assisted in the writing and production of many Broadway hits, wrote the stage play "Showboat," "Good Moon," "Rainbow," and "New Boy."

Information and education officer for the 1st STR from May, 1944, until its discontinuation, he held over the post in the Academic Regiment last December. He was commissioned here in February, 1943, and after tours of duty as platoon leader at Camp Wheeler and Camp Blanding, he returned to The Infantry School in September, 1943, and has remained here until ordered to Camp Lee.

Former information and education officer of the 2nd Student Training Regiment and the Academic Regiment, Lieutenant Phillips brings a broad background of experience and training to the task of orienting the members of the regiment to the current complex postwar situation.

Graduating from Yale University in 1935, Lieutenant Phillips travelled extensively throughout Europe in the mid-thirties. He was employed as a public relations official by the Rolling Mills Company, Middletown, Ohio, before he entered the Army over three years ago.

Lieutenant Phillips came to The Infantry School in June, 1944, after serving on the staff of The Tank Destroyer, UTC, Camp Hood, Texas, where he was commissioned in August, 1943.

## 'Hotel or Home' Choice for PWs

A choice between spending 14 days at a first-class hotel with all expenses paid, plus 90 days temporary duty at home or spending 104 days at home on temporary duty is now being offered American liberated prisoners of war, according to a recent War Department directive.

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